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SUBJECT: ITAIPU PROJECT

REF: STATE 196211#

1. RE PARA 4 (B) REFTEL: FREQUENT ATTEMPTS HAVE BEEN AND WILL CONTINUE TO BE MADE TO ARRANGE FOR FY75 IV GRANT FOR ANDE DECISION MAKERS. ANDE APPEARS CRITICALLY UNDERSTAFFED TO OPERATE THEIR AGENCY AND SIMULTANEOUSLY TO LOAN KEY PERSONNEL TO ADMINISTER REGIONAL HYDROELECTRIC PROJECTS. FOR THIS REASON, ANDE PRESIDENT DEBERNARDI, HAS BEEN UNABLE MAKE RPCOMMITTMENT ON FIRM SCHEDULING FOR TRAVEL BY ANY OF THOSE ANDE PERSONNEL WHICH EMBASSY FEELS ARE SUFFICIENTLY INFLUENTIAL TO SERVE EMBASSY PURPOSES. ARRANGING SUCH TRAVEL WILL, NEVERTHELESS, REMAIN A FOCAL POINT OF EMBASSY COMMERCIAL ACTION PLAN EFFORTS AND WE WILL ADVISE DEPARTMENT IF AND WHEN WE ARE ABLE TO ACCOMPLISH FIRM SCHEDULING.

2. RE PARA 4 (B) REFTEL: ING. HANS KRAUCH WAS REACHED BY PHONE IN RIO DE JANEIRO 9/10. HE WILL TRAVEL TO THE U.S. ON 9/20 TO ATTEND THE WORLD ENERGY CONFERENCE DURING WEEK OF 9/23. WEEK OF 9/30 HE WILL PARTICIPATE IN FIELD TRIPS ARRANGED BY WORLD ENERGY CONFERENCE OFFICIALS WHICH INCLUDE VISIT TO GRAND COULEE WHERE HE WILL MEET WITH ALLIS CHALMERS

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REPRESENTATIVES, AND TO SAN FRANCISCO WHERE HE WILL MEET

WITHS ECO REPRESENTATIVES. KRAUCH REGRETS UNABLE TO EXTEND
VISIT AS PRESSING MATTERS RELATED TO ITAIPU REQUIRE HIS
ATTENTION IMMEDIATELY UPON RETURN 10/6. HE INDICATED THAT
THERE WILL BE FUTURE OPPORTUNITIES FOR VISITS WITH OTHER
LEADING U.S. FIRMS. EMBASSY INTERESTED IN KNOWING WHETHER
U.S. PRIVATE SECTOR SPONSORSHIP OR USG FINANCIAL SPONSORSHIP,
OTHER THAN IV GRANT, WILL BE AVAILABLE FOR KRAUCH AND/OR
OTHERS WHEN SUCH SIDE TRIPS CAN BE COORDINATED WITH THEIR
TRAVEL TO THE U.S.
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NOTE BY OC/T: #AS RECEIVED.

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